## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

ORHAN HAKAJ, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

-against-

THE ORIGINAL HOMESTEAD RESTAURANT INC., et al.,

Defendants.

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REVISED CASE MANAGEMENT ORDER

## BARBARA MOSES, United States Magistrate Judge.

The Court is in receipt of the parties' joint request (Dkt. 70) for certain modifications to the pretrial schedule. It is hereby ORDERED that the current case management schedule (Dkt. 55) is modified as follows:

- 1. <u>Depositions</u>. All remaining fact depositions shall be completed no later than **March 8, 2024**.
- 2. <u>Additional Fact Discovery</u>. All remaining fact discovery shall be completed no later than **April 9, 2024**.
- 3. Expert Discovery. Disclosure of expert evidence, including the identities and written reports of experts, as required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2)(A), (B), or (C), shall be made no later than **May 10, 2024**. The disclosure of expert evidence intended solely to contradict or rebut expert evidence on the same subject matter disclosed by the opposing party shall be made no later than **June 10, 2024**. Depositions of experts shall be completed no later than **July 10, 2024**.
- 4. Close of Discovery. All discovery shall be completed no later than **July 10, 2024**.
- 5. <u>Timely Discovery</u>. Discovery requests and notices must be served in time to allow the person served to respond, on the schedule set forth in the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, prior to the completion date for such discovery set forth above. Discovery applications, including letter-motions requesting discovery conferences, must be made promptly after the need for such an application arises and must comply with Local Civil Rule 37.2 and § 2(b) of Judge Moses's Individual Practices. Absent extraordinary circumstances, discovery applications made later than 30 days prior to the close of discovery may be denied as untimely.
- 6. <u>Status Conference</u>. Judge Moses will conduct a status conference on **April 17**, **2024**, at **10:00 a.m.** No later than **April 10**, **2024**, the parties shall submit a joint status letter outlining the progress of discovery to date, as well as any settlement efforts. If no discovery controversies exist at that time, the parties may request that the conference be held telephonically.

- 7. Conferences and Hearings. All court conferences, hearings, and other proceedings will be held in Courtroom 20A of the Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse, unless the Court orders otherwise. If a proceeding takes place via teleconference, the parties must call (888) 557-8511 on their scheduled date, a few minutes before their scheduled time, and enter the access code 7746387. Please treat the teleconference as you would treat a public court appearance. If a conference or hearing in another matter is ongoing, please be silent (mute your line) until your case is called. If the proceeding takes place via videoconference, chambers will email the appropriate link to counsel in advance of the proceeding.
- 8. Remote Depositions. In accordance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(4), the Court authorizes the parties to conduct any or all depositions in this action via telephone, videoconference, or other remote means, pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(3) and (b)(4). This Order does not dispense with the requirements set forth in Fed. R. Civ. P. 30(b)(5), including the requirement that, unless the parties stipulate otherwise, the deposition be "conducted before an officer appointed or designated under Rule 28," and that the deponent be placed under oath by that officer. For avoidance of doubt, a deposition will be deemed to have been conducted "before" an officer so long as that officer attends the deposition via the same remote means (e.g., telephone conference call or video conference) used to connect all other remote participants, and so long as all participants (including the officer) can clearly hear and be heard by all other participants.
- 9. <u>Summary Judgment</u>. Summary judgment motions, if any (or, if required by the district judge, pre-motion conference letters with respect to summary judgment) shall be filed no later than **30 days after the close of discovery**. Summary judgment motion papers shall conform to the individual practices of the district judge.
- 10. <u>Joint Pretrial Order</u>. The parties' proposed joint pretrial order shall be filed no later than 30 days after the close of discovery, unless there are summary judgment motion(s), in which case the joint pretrial order shall be filed no later than 30 days after the decision on the motion(s). The proposed joint pretrial order shall conform to the individual practices of the district judge.
- 11. Extensions and Adjournments. Any application for extension or adjournment of the time limits, deadlines or conferences set forth above must be made by letter-motion, in accordance with this Court's Individual Practices, as soon as the need for the extension or adjournment is reasonably apparent to the party making the application. Applications made after the expiration of the deadline in question may be summarily denied.
- 12. <u>Discovery Applications</u>. Discovery disputes that cannot be resolved after good-faith negotiations may be presented by letter-motion, seeking a discovery conference, in accordance with Local Civil Rule 37.2 and this Court's Individual Practices. Such applications must be made promptly after the need for court intervention arises, but in no event before the parties have met and conferred, in person or via telephone, with respect to all issues in dispute. An exchange of letters

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or emails is not sufficient. It is the Court's practice to decide discovery disputes at the Rule 37.2 conference, based on the parties' letters, unless the Court determines that more formal briefing is required.

<u>In light of the length of the extensions granted herein, no further extensions will be granted absent compelling circumstances.</u>

The Clerk of Court is respectfully directed to terminate the motion at Dkt. 70.

Dated: New York, New York December 5, 2023 SO ORDERED.

BARBARA MOSES

**United States Magistrate Judge**